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[Report No. 117–257]

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to make a declaration of a significant incident, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 22, 2021

Mr. PETERS (for himself and Mr. PORTMAN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

DECEMBER 14, 2022

Reported by Mr. PETERS, with an amendment

[Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the part printed in italic]

A BILL

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to make a declaration of a significant incident, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Cyber Response and
3 Recovery Act of 2021”.

4 **SEC. 2. DECLARATION OF A SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT.**

5 (a) ~~IN GENERAL.~~—Title XXII of the Homeland Se-
6 curity Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 651 et seq.) is amended by
7 adding at the end the following:

8 **“Subtitle C—Declaration of a
9 Significant Incident**

10 **“SEC. 2231. DEFINITIONS.**

11 “For the purposes of this subtitle:

12 “(1) ASSET RESPONSE ACTIVITY.—The term
13 ‘asset response activity’ means an activity to support
14 an entity impacted by an incident with the response
15 to, remediation of, or recovery from, the incident, in-
16 cluding—

17 “(A) furnishing technical and advisory as-
18 sistance to the entity to protect the assets of
19 the entity, mitigate vulnerabilities, and reduce
20 the related impacts;

21 “(B) assessing potential risks to the crit-
22 ical infrastructure sector or geographic region
23 impacted by the incident, including potential
24 cascading effects of the incident on other crit-
25 ical infrastructure sectors or geographic re-
26 gions;

1 “(C) developing courses of action to mitigate
2 the risks assessed under subparagraph
3 (B);

4 “(D) facilitating information sharing and
5 operational coordination with entities performing threat response activities; and

6 “(E) providing guidance on how best to
7 use Federal resources and capabilities in a
8 timely, effective manner to speed recovery from
9 the incident.

10 “(2) DECLARATION.—The term ‘declaration’
11 means a declaration of the Secretary under section
12 2232(a)(1).

13 “(3) DIRECTOR.—The term ‘Director’ means
14 the Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure
15 Security Agency.

16 “(4) FEDERAL AGENCY.—The term ‘Federal
17 agency’ has the meaning given the term ‘agency’ in
18 section 3502 of title 44, United States Code.

19 “(5) FUND.—The term ‘Fund’ means the
20 Cyber Response and Recovery Fund established
21 under section 2233(a).

22 “(6) INCIDENT.—The term ‘incident’ has the
23 meaning given the term in section 3552 of title 44,
24 United States Code.

1 “(7) RENEWAL.—The term ‘renewal’ means a
2 renewal of a declaration under section 2232(d).

3 “(8) SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT.—The term ‘sig-
4 nificant incident’—

5 “(A) means an incident or a group of re-
6 lated incidents that results, or is likely to re-
7 sult, in demonstrable harm to—

8 “(i) the national security interests,
9 foreign relations, or economy of the United
10 States; or

11 “(ii) the public confidence, civil lib-
12 erties, or public health and safety of the
13 people of the United States; and

14 “(B) does not include an incident or a por-
15 tion of a group of related incidents that occurs
16 on—

17 “(i) a national security system (as de-
18 fined in section 3552 of title 44, United
19 States Code); or

20 “(ii) an information system described
21 in paragraph (2) or (3) of section 3553(e)
22 of title 44, United States Code.

23 **“SEC. 2232. DECLARATION.**

24 “(a) IN GENERAL.—

1 “(1) DECLARATION.—The Secretary, in con-
2 sultation with the National Cyber Director, may
3 make a declaration of a significant incident in ac-
4 cordance with this section if the Secretary deter-
5 mines that—

6 “(A) a specific significant incident—

7 “(i) has occurred; or

8 “(ii) is likely to occur imminently; and

9 “(B) otherwise available resources, other
10 than the Fund, are likely insufficient to respond
11 effectively to, or to mitigate effectively, the spe-
12 cific significant incident described in subpara-
13 graph (A).

14 “(2) PROHIBITION ON DELEGATION.—The Sec-
15 retary may not delegate the authority provided to
16 the Secretary under paragraph (1).

17 “(b) ASSET RESPONSE ACTIVITIES.—Upon a de-
18claration, the Director shall coordinate—

19 “(1) the asset response activities of each Fed-
20 eral agency in response to the specific significant in-
21 cident associated with the declaration; and

22 “(2) with appropriate entities, which may in-
23 clude—

24 “(A) public and private entities and State
25 and local governments with respect to the asset

1 response activities of those entities and govern-
2 ments; and

3 “(B) Federal, State, local, and Tribal law
4 enforcement agencies with respect to investiga-
5 tions and threat response activities of those law
6 enforcement agencies.

7 “(e) DURATION.—Subject to subsection (d), a de-
8claration shall terminate upon the earlier of—

9 “(1) a determination by the Secretary that the
10 declaration is no longer necessary; or
11 “(2) the expiration of the 120-day period begin-
12 ning on the date on which the Secretary makes the
13 declaration.

14 “(d) RENEWAL.—The Secretary, without delegation,
15 may renew a declaration as necessary.

16 “(e) PUBLICATION.—Not later than 72 hours after
17 a declaration or a renewal, the Secretary shall publish the
18 declaration or renewal in the Federal Register.

19 “(f) ADVANCE ACTIONS.—The Secretary—

20 “(1) shall assess the resources available to re-
21 spond to a potential declaration; and

22 “(2) may take actions before and while a de-
23 clarations is in effect to arrange or procure additional
24 resources for asset response activities or technical
25 assistance the Secretary determines necessary, which

1 may include entering into standby contracts with
2 private entities for cybersecurity services or incident
3 responders in the event of a declaration.

4 **“SEC. 2233. CYBER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY FUND.**

5 **“(a) IN GENERAL.—** There is established a Cyber Re-
6 sponse and Recovery Fund, which shall be available for—

7 **“(1)** the coordination of activities described in
8 section 2232(b);

9 **“(2)** response and recovery support for the spe-
10 cific significant incident associated with a declara-
11 tion to Federal, State, local, and Tribal, entities and
12 public and private entities on a reimbursable or non-
13 reimbursable basis, including through asset response
14 activities and technical assistance, such as—

15 **“(A)** vulnerability assessments and mitiga-
16 tion;

17 **“(B)** technical incident mitigation;

18 **“(C)** malware analysis;

19 **“(D)** analytic support;

20 **“(E)** threat detection and hunting; and

21 **“(F)** network protections;

22 **“(3)** as the Director determines appropriate,
23 grants for, or cooperative agreements with, Federal,
24 State, local, and Tribal public and private entities to

1 respond to, and recover from, the specific significant
2 incident associated with a declaration, such as—

3 “(A) hardware or software to replace, up-
4 date, improve, harden, or enhance the
5 functionality of existing hardware, software, or
6 systems; and

7 “(B) technical contract personnel support;
8 and

9 “(4) advance actions taken by the Secretary
10 under section 2232(f)(2).

11 “(b) DEPOSITS.—Money shall be deposited into the
12 Fund from—

13 “(1) appropriations to the Fund for activities of
14 the Fund;

15 “(2) reimbursement from Federal agencies for
16 the activities described in paragraphs (1), (2), and
17 (4) of subsection (a); and

18 “(3) any other income incident to activities of
19 the Fund.

20 “(e) SUPPLEMENT NOT SUPPLANT.—Amounts in the
21 Fund shall be used to supplement, not supplant, other
22 Federal, State, local, or Tribal funding for activities in
23 response to a declaration.

1 **“SEC. 2234. NOTIFICATION AND REPORTING.**

2 “(a) **NOTIFICATION.**—Upon a declaration or renewal,
3 the Secretary shall immediately notify the National Cyber
4 Director and appropriate congressional committees and in-
5 clude in the notification—

6 “(1) an estimation of the planned duration of
7 the declaration;

8 “(2) with respect to a notification of a declara-
9 tion, the reason for the declaration, including infor-
10 mation relating to the specific significant incident or
11 imminent specific significant incident, including—

12 “(A) the operational or mission impact or
13 anticipated impact of the specific significant in-
14 cident on Federal and non-Federal entities;

15 “(B) if known, the perpetrator of the spe-
16 cific significant incident; and

17 “(C) the scope of the Federal and non-
18 Federal entities impacted or anticipated to be
19 impacted by the specific significant incident;

20 “(3) with respect to a notification of a renewal,
21 the reason for the renewal;

22 “(4) justification as to why available resources,
23 other than the Fund, are insufficient to respond to
24 or mitigate the specific significant incident; and

1 “(5) a description of the coordination activities
2 described in section 2232(b) that the Secretary an-
3 ticipates the Director to perform.

4 “(b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 180
5 days after the date of a declaration or renewal, the Sec-
6 retary shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-
7 mittees a report that includes—

8 “(1) the reason for the declaration or renewal,
9 including information and intelligence relating to the
10 specific significant incident that led to the declara-
11 tion or renewal;

12 “(2) the use of any funds from the Fund for
13 the purpose of responding to the incidents or threat
14 described in paragraph (1);

15 “(3) a description of the actions, initiatives, and
16 projects undertaken by the Department and State
17 and local governments and public and private enti-
18 ties in responding to and recovering from the spe-
19 cific significant incident described in paragraph (1);

20 “(4) an accounting of the specific obligations
21 and outlays of the Fund; and

22 “(5) an analysis of—

23 “(A) the impact of the specific significant
24 incident described in paragraph (1) on Federal
25 and non-Federal entities;

1 “(B) the impact of the declaration or re-
2 newal on the response to, and recovery from,
3 the specific significant incident described in
4 paragraph (1); and

5 “(C) the impact of the funds made avail-
6 able from the Fund as a result of the declara-
7 tion or renewal on the recovery from, and re-
8 sponse to, the specific significant incident de-
9 scribed in paragraph (1).

10 “(e) CLASSIFICATION.—Each notification made
11 under subsection (a) and each report submitted under sub-
12 section (b)—

13 “(1) shall be in an unclassified form; and
14 “(2) may include a classified annex.

15 “(d) CONSOLIDATED REPORT.—The Secretary shall
16 not be required to submit multiple reports under sub-
17 section (b) for multiple declarations or renewals if the Sec-
18 retary determines that the declarations or renewals sub-
19 stantively relate to the same specific significant incident.

20 “(e) EXEMPTION.—The requirements of subchapter
21 I of chapter 35 of title 44 (commonly known as the ‘Pa-
22 perwork Reduction Act’) shall not apply to the voluntary
23 collection of information by the Department during an in-
24 vestigation of, a response to, or an immediate post-re-

1 response review of, the specific significant incident leading
 2 to a declaration or renewal.

3 **“SEC. 2235. RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.”**

4 “Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to impair
 5 or limit the ability of the Director to carry out the author-
 6 ized activities of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Se-
 7 curity Agency.

8 **“SEC. 2236. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.”**

9 “There are authorized to be appropriated to the Fund
 10 \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 2022, which shall remain
 11 available to be expended until September 30, 2028.

12 **“SEC. 2237. SUNSET.”**

13 “The authorities granted to the Secretary or the Di-
 14 rector under this subtitle shall expire on the date that is
 15 7 years after the date of enactment of the Cyber Response
 16 and Recovery Act of 2021.”.

17 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
 18 in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002
 19 (Public Law 107-296; 116 Stat. 2135) is amended by
 20 adding at the end the following:

“Subtitle C—Declaration of a Significant Incident

“See. 2231. Definitions.

“See. 2232. Declaration.

“See. 2233. Cyber response and recovery fund.

“See. 2234. Notification and reporting.

“See. 2235. Rule of construction.

“See. 2236. Authorization of appropriations.

“See. 2237. Sunset.”.

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 *This Act may be cited as the “Cyber Response and Re-*
3 *covery Act of 2021”.*

4 **SEC. 2. DECLARATION OF A SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT.**

5 *(a) IN GENERAL.—Title XXII of the Homeland Secu-*
6 *rity Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 651 et seq.) is amended by add-*
7 *ing at the end the following:*

8 **“Subtitle C—Declaration of a**
9 **Significant Incident**

10 **“SEC. 2231. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

11 *“It is the sense of Congress that—*

12 *“(1) the purpose of this subtitle is to authorize*
13 *the Secretary to declare that a significant incident*
14 *has occurred and to establish the authorities that are*
15 *provided under the declaration to respond to and re-*
16 *cover from the significant incident; and*

17 *“(2) the authorities established under this sub-*
18 *title are intended to enable the Secretary to provide*
19 *voluntary assistance to non-Federal entities impacted*
20 *by a significant incident.*

21 **“SEC. 2232. DEFINITIONS.**

22 *“For the purposes of this subtitle:*

23 *“(1) ASSET RESPONSE ACTIVITY.—The term*
24 *‘asset response activity’ means an activity to support*
25 *an entity impacted by an incident with the response*

1 *to, remediation of, or recovery from, the incident, in-*
2 *cluding—*

3 “(A) furnishing technical and advisory as-
4 *sistance to the entity to protect the assets of the*
5 *entity, mitigate vulnerabilities, and reduce the*
6 *related impacts;*

7 “(B) assessing potential risks to the critical
8 *infrastructure sector or geographic region im-*
9 *pacted by the incident, including potential cas-*
10 *cading effects of the incident on other critical in-*
11 *frastructure sectors or geographic regions;*

12 “(C) developing courses of action to miti-
13 *gate the risks assessed under subparagraph (B);*

14 “(D) facilitating information sharing and
15 *operational coordination with entities per-*
16 *forming threat response activities; and*

17 “(E) providing guidance on how best to use
18 *Federal resources and capabilities in a timely,*
19 *effective manner to speed recovery from the inci-*
20 *dent.*

21 “(2) DECLARATION.—The term ‘declaration’
22 *means a declaration of the Secretary under section*
23 *2233(a)(1).*

1 “(3) DIRECTOR.—The term ‘Director’ means the
2 *Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Se-*
3 *curity Agency.*

4 “(4) FEDERAL AGENCY.—The term ‘Federal
5 *agency’ has the meaning given the term ‘agency’ in*
6 *section 3502 of title 44, United States Code.*

7 “(5) FUND.—The term ‘Fund’ means the *Cyber*
8 *Response and Recovery Fund established under sec-*
9 *tion 2234(a).*

10 “(6) INCIDENT.—The term ‘incident’ has the
11 *meaning given the term in section 3552 of title 44,*
12 *United States Code.*

13 “(7) RENEWAL.—The term ‘renewal’ means a *re-*
14 *newal of a declaration under section 2233(d).*

15 “(8) SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT.—The term ‘signifi-
16 *cant incident’—*

17 “(A) means an incident or a group of *re-*
18 *lated incidents that results, or is likely to result,*
19 *in demonstrable harm to—*

20 “(i) the national security interests, for-
21 *eign relations, or economy of the United*
22 *States; or*

23 “(ii) the public confidence, civil lib-
24 *erties, or public health and safety of the*
25 *people of the United States; and*

1 “(B) does not include an incident or a por-
2 tion of a group of related incidents that occurs
3 on—

4 “(i) a national security system (as de-
5 fined in section 3552 of title 44, United
6 States Code); or

7 “(ii) an information system described
8 in paragraph (2) or (3) of section 3553(e)
9 of title 44, United States Code.

10 **“SEC. 2233. DECLARATION.**

11 “(a) IN GENERAL.—

12 “(1) DECLARATION.—The Secretary, in consulta-
13 tion with the National Cyber Director, may make a
14 declaration of a significant incident in accordance
15 with this section for the purpose of enabling the ac-
16 tivities described in this subtitle if the Secretary de-
17 termines that—

18 “(A) a specific significant incident—

19 “(i) has occurred; or

20 “(ii) is likely to occur imminently; and

21 “(B) otherwise available resources, other
22 than the Fund, are likely insufficient to respond
23 effectively to, or to mitigate effectively, the spe-
24 cific significant incident described in subpara-
25 graph (A).

1 “(2) *PROHIBITION ON DELEGATION.*—The Sec-
2 *retary may not delegate the authority provided to the*
3 *Secretary under paragraph (1).*

4 “(b) *ASSET RESPONSE ACTIVITIES.*—Upon a declara-
5 *tion, the Director shall coordinate—*

6 “(1) *the asset response activities of each Federal*
7 *agency in response to the specific significant incident*
8 *associated with the declaration; and*

9 “(2) *with appropriate entities, which may in-*
10 *clude—*

11 “(A) *public and private entities and State*
12 *and local governments with respect to the asset*
13 *response activities of those entities and govern-*
14 *ments; and*

15 “(B) *Federal, State, local, and Tribal law*
16 *enforcement agencies with respect to investiga-*
17 *tions and threat response activities of those law*
18 *enforcement agencies.*

19 “(c) *DURATION.*—Subject to subsection (d), a declara-
20 *tion shall terminate upon the earlier of—*

21 “(1) *a determination by the Secretary that the*
22 *declaration is no longer necessary; or*

23 “(2) *the expiration of the 120-day period begin-*
24 *ning on the date on which the Secretary makes the*
25 *declaration.*

1 “(d) *RENEWAL.*—*The Secretary, without delegation,*
2 *may renew a declaration as necessary.*

3 “(e) *PUBLICATION.*—

4 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 72 hours after*
5 *a declaration or a renewal, the Secretary shall pub-*
6 *lish the declaration or renewal in the Federal Reg-*
7 *ister.*

8 “(2) *PROHIBITION.*—*A declaration or renewal*
9 *published under paragraph (1) may not include the*
10 *name of any affected individual or private company.*

11 “(f) *ADVANCE ACTIONS.*—

12 “(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary—*

13 “(A) *shall assess the resources available to*
14 *respond to a potential declaration; and*

15 “(B) *may take actions before and while a*
16 *declaration is in effect to arrange or procure ad-*
17 *ditional resources for asset response activities or*
18 *technical assistance the Secretary determines*
19 *necessary, which may include entering into*
20 *standby contracts with private entities for cyber-*
21 *security services or incident responders in the*
22 *event of a declaration.*

23 “(2) *EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS.*—*Any expendi-*
24 *ture made for the purpose of paragraph (1)(B) shall*
25 *be made from amounts—*

1 “(A) available in the Fund; or
2 “(B) otherwise appropriated to the Depart-
3 ment.

4 **“SEC. 2234. CYBER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY FUND.**

5 “(a) *IN GENERAL.*—There is established a Cyber Re-
6 sponse and Recovery Fund, which shall be available for—

7 “(1) the coordination of activities described in
8 section 2233(b);

9 “(2) response and recovery support for the spe-
10 cific significant incident associated with a declara-
11 tion to Federal, State, local, and Tribal, entities and
12 public and private entities on a reimbursable or non-
13 reimbursable basis, including through asset response
14 activities and technical assistance, such as—

15 “(A) vulnerability assessments and mitiga-
16 tion;

17 “(B) technical incident mitigation;

18 “(C) malware analysis;

19 “(D) analytic support;

20 “(E) threat detection and hunting; and

21 “(F) network protections;

22 “(3) as the Director determines appropriate,
23 grants for, or cooperative agreements with, Federal,
24 State, local, and Tribal public and private entities to

1 *respond to, and recover from, the specific significant*
2 *incident associated with a declaration, such as—*

3 “(A) hardware or software to replace, up-
4 date, improve, harden, or enhance the
5 functionality of existing hardware, software, or
6 systems; and

7 “(B) technical contract personnel support;
8 and

9 “(4) advance actions taken by the Secretary
10 under section 2233(f)(1)(B).

11 “(b) DEPOSITS AND EXPENDITURES.—

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Amounts shall be deposited
13 into the Fund from—

14 “(A) appropriations to the Fund for activi-
15 ties of the Fund;

16 “(B) reimbursement from Federal agencies
17 for the activities described in paragraphs (1),
18 (2), and (4) of subsection (a); and

19 “(C) any other income incident to activities
20 of the Fund.

21 “(2) EXPENDITURES.—Any expenditure from the
22 Fund shall be made from amounts that are available
23 in the Fund from a deposit described in paragraph
24 (1).

1 “(c) *SUPPLEMENT NOT SUPPLANT.*—Amounts in the
2 *Fund shall be used to supplement, not supplant, other Fed-*
3 *eral, State, local, or Tribal funding for activities in re-*
4 *sponse to a declaration.*

5 **“SEC. 2235. NOTIFICATION AND REPORTING.**

6 “(a) *NOTIFICATION.*—Upon a declaration or renewal,
7 *the Secretary shall immediately notify the National Cyber*
8 *Director and appropriate congressional committees and in-*
9 *clude in the notification—*

10 “(1) *an estimation of the planned duration of*
11 *the declaration;*

12 “(2) *with respect to a notification of a declara-*
13 *tion, the reason for the declaration, including infor-*
14 *mation relating to the specific significant incident or*
15 *imminent specific significant incident, including—*

16 “(A) *the operational or mission impact or*
17 *anticipated impact of the specific significant in-*
18 *cident on Federal and non-Federal entities;*

19 “(B) *if known, the perpetrator of the spe-*
20 *cific significant incident; and*

21 “(C) *the scope of the Federal and non-Fed-*
22 *eral entities impacted or anticipated to be im-*
23 *pacted by the specific significant incident;*

24 “(3) *with respect to a notification of a renewal,*
25 *the reason for the renewal;*

1 “(4) justification as to why available resources,
2 other than the Fund, are insufficient to respond to or
3 mitigate the specific significant incident; and

4 “(5) a description of the coordination activities
5 described in section 2233(b) that the Secretary anticip-
6 pates the Director to perform.

7 “(b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 180 days
8 after the date of a declaration or renewal, the Secretary
9 shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a
10 report that includes—

11 “(1) the reason for the declaration or renewal,
12 including information and intelligence relating to the
13 specific significant incident that led to the declaration
14 or renewal;

15 “(2) the use of any funds from the Fund for the
16 purpose of responding to the incident or threat de-
17 scribed in paragraph (1);

18 “(3) a description of the actions, initiatives, and
19 projects undertaken by the Department and State and
20 local governments and public and private entities in
21 responding to and recovering from the specific signifi-
22 cant incident described in paragraph (1);

23 “(4) an accounting of the specific obligations
24 and outlays of the Fund; and

25 “(5) an analysis of—

1 “(A) the impact of the specific significant
2 incident described in paragraph (1) on Federal
3 and non-Federal entities;

4 “(B) the impact of the declaration or re-
5 newal on the response to, and recovery from, the
6 specific significant incident described in para-
7 graph (1); and

8 “(C) the impact of the funds made available
9 from the Fund as a result of the declaration or
10 renewal on the recovery from, and response to,
11 the specific significant incident described in
12 paragraph (1).

13 “(c) *CLASSIFICATION.*—Each notification made under
14 subsection (a) and each report submitted under subsection
15 (b)—

16 “(1) shall be in an unclassified form with appro-
17 priate markings to indicate information that is ex-
18 empt from disclosure under section 552 of title 5,
19 United States Code (commonly known as the ‘Free-
20 dom of Information Act’); and

21 “(2) may include a classified annex.

22 “(d) *CONSOLIDATED REPORT.*—The Secretary shall
23 not be required to submit multiple reports under subsection
24 (b) for multiple declarations or renewals if the Secretary

1 determines that the declarations or renewals substantively
2 relate to the same specific significant incident.

3 “(e) EXEMPTION.—The requirements of subchapter I
4 of chapter 35 of title 44 (commonly known as the ‘Paper-
5 work Reduction Act’) shall not apply to the voluntary col-
6 lection of information by the Department during an inves-
7 tigation of, a response to, or an immediate post-response
8 review of, the specific significant incident leading to a dec-
9 laration or renewal.

10 **“SEC. 2236. RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.**

11 “Nothing in this subtitle shall be construed to impair
12 or limit the ability of the Director to carry out the author-
13 ized activities of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Secu-
14 rity Agency.

15 **“SEC. 2237. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

16 “There are authorized to be appropriated to the Fund
17 \$20,000,000 for fiscal year 2022, which shall remain avail-
18 able to be expended until September 30, 2028.

19 **“SEC. 2238. SUNSET.**

20 “The authorities granted to the Secretary or the Direc-
21 tor under this subtitle shall expire on the date that is 7
22 years after the date of enactment of the Cyber Response and
23 Recovery Act of 2021.”.

24 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents in
25 section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (Public

- 1 *Law 107–296; 116 Stat. 2135) is amended by adding at*
- 2 *the end the following:*

“*Subtitle C—Declaration of a Significant Incident*

“*Sec. 2231. Sense of Congress.*
“*Sec. 2232. Definitions.*
“*Sec. 2233. Declaration.*
“*Sec. 2234. Cyber response and recovery fund.*
“*Sec. 2235. Notification and reporting.*
“*Sec. 2236. Rule of construction.*
“*Sec. 2237. Authorization of appropriations.*
“*Sec. 2238. Sunset.”.*

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